

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2893 without my signature.

The Public Safety Officer Procedural Bill of Rights Act was intended to provide an additional layer of protection to peace officers due to the unique circumstances that they face while enforcing California's laws. Their job leads to a variety of public interactions and requires split-second decision making that could mean life or death for the officer or members of the community. While I recognize the vital service that coroners provide to the citizens of California, their job duties do not generally place them in situations that would necessitate the protections provided in this Act.

In addition, as public employees, coroners already have significant civil service protections. Mandating that they be covered by the Act would simply remove local decision making and increase State costs without providing a significant benefit to the public.

For these reasons I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger